

Welcome to DCR's Walden Pond State Reservation

Renowned as the former home of Henry David Thoreau and the inspiration for his book, *Walden*, Walden Pond offers over 300 acres of park land primarily used for swimming and hiking.

It is part of the Massachusetts state park system and is managed by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.

DCR oversees 450,000 acres of parks, forests, beaches, bike trails, watersheds, and dams. Its mission is to protect, promote, and enhance the state's natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn about DCR and to discover more parks and recreational opportunities within the Massachusetts state parks, visit www.mass.gov/dcr.

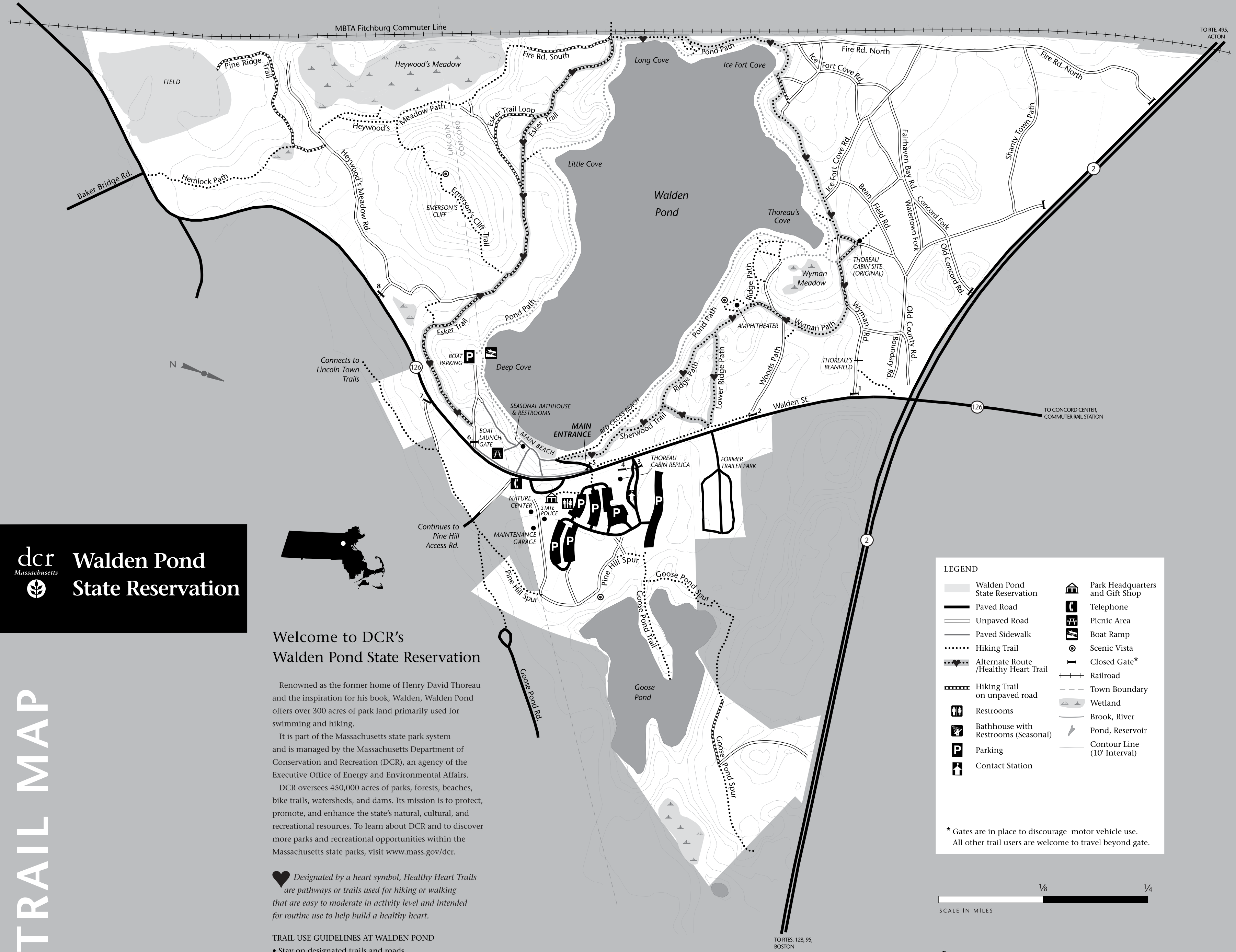
♥ *Designated by a heart symbol, Healthy Heart Trails are pathways or trails used for hiking or walking that are easy to moderate in activity level and intended for routine use to help build a healthy heart.*

TRAIL USE GUIDELINES AT WALDEN POND

- Stay on designated trails and roads.
- Observe all posted rules and regulations.
- **Motorized uses prohibited.**
- Bicycles and horses are not permitted on any hiking trail or unpaved road.

Deval L. Patrick, *Governor*
Timothy P. Murray, *Lt. Governor*
Ian A. Bowles, *Secretary*
Richard K. Sullivan, Jr., *Commissioner*

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LEGEND

Walden Pond State Reservation

Paved Road

Unpaved Road

Paved Sidewalk

Hiking Trail

Alternate Route /Healthy Heart Trail

Hiking Trail on unpaved road

Restrooms

Bathhouse with Restrooms (Seasonal)

Parking

Contact Station

Park Headquarters and Gift Shop

Telephone

Picnic Area

Boat Ramp

Scenic Vista

Closed Gate*

Railroad

Town Boundary

Wetland

Brook, River

Pond, Reservoir

Contour Line (10' Interval)

* Gates are in place to discourage motor vehicle use.
All other trail users are welcome to travel beyond gate.

